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**Gary A. Fenner**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1947  
Education: Kansas 1970 BA; Missouri (Kansas City) 1973 JD  
Began Service: July 26, 1996  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

**Academic:** Business Law Instructor (part-time), Webster College (1976-1977)

**Government:** Assistant City Attorney, Office of the City Attorney, City of Saint Joseph, Missouri (1973-1977); Councilman, Office of the City Council, City of Saint Joseph, Missouri (1977-1978)

**Judicial:** Judge, Missouri Circuit Court, Fifth Judicial Circuit (1979-1988); Judge, Missouri Court of Appeals, Western District (1988-1996)

**Legal Practice:** Associate of Daniel M. Czamanske, Attorney at Law (1973); Partner, Shoemaker, Summers and Fenner (1977-1978)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; Clay County Bar Association; Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association; The Missouri Bar; Platte County Bar Association

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**Nanette Kay Laughrey**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1946  
Education: UCLA 1967 BA; Missouri 1975 JD  
Began Service: August 26, 1996  
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton



**Academic:** Associate Professor of Law, University of Missouri School of Law (1983-1987); Professor of Law, University of Missouri School of Law (1987-1989); William H. Pittman Professor of Law, University of Missouri School of Law (1989-1996); Visiting Professor of Law, University of Iowa College of Law (1990)

**Government:** VISTA Volunteer, VISTA (1969-1972); Assistant State Attorney General, State of Missouri (1975-1979); Commissioner, Columbia Arts Commission, City of Columbia, Missouri (1986-1988); Commissioner, Columbia Housing Authority (1992-1998); Deputy State Attorney General, State of Missouri (1992-1993)

**Judicial:** Judge, Columbia Municipal Court (1979-1983)

**Legal Practice:** Staff Attorney (part-time), Craig Van Matre, P.C. (1980-1983)

**Nonprofit:** Director, Voluntary Action Center (1972)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; The American Law Institute; Association of Women Lawyers of Greater Kansas City; Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association; The Missouri Bar

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**Richard E. Dorr**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1943  
Education: Illinois 1965 BS; Missouri 1968 JD  
Began Service: August 9, 2002

**Government:** Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, State of Missouri (1968)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Mann, Walter, Burkart, Weathers and Walter (1973-1978); Partner, Harrison Tucker and Dorr (1978-1983); Partner, Dorr, Baird and Lightner, P.C. (1983-1996); Partner, Blackwell Sanders Peper Martin LLP (1996-2002)

**Staff**

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Term Expires: August 2008  
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Term Expires: August 2008  
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**Scott O. Wright**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1923  
Education: Missouri 1950 LLB  
Began Service: October 5, 1979  
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter  
Political Affiliation: Democrat

**Government:** City Attorney, Office of the City Attorney, City of Columbia, Missouri (1951-1953); Prosecuting Attorney, County of Boone, Missouri (1954-1958)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Clark & Becker (1950-1954); Partner, Brown, Wright, Willbrand & Simon (1958-1979)

**Military Service:** United States Navy (1942-1943); United States Marine Corps (1943-1946)

**Current Memberships:** American Association of Justice; American Bar Association; Boone County Bar Association; The Missouri Bar; Missouri Trial Lawyers Association

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**Howard F. Sachs**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1925  
Education: Williams 1947 AB; Harvard 1950 JD  
Began Service: October 5, 1979  
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Albert A. Ridge, United States District Court (1950-1951)

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Phineas Rosenberg (1951-1956); Associate, Spencer Fane Britt & Browne LLP

**Military Service:** United States Navy (1944-1946)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association; Lawyers Association of Kansas City; The Missouri Bar

**Staff**

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**Dean Whipple**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1938  
Education: Drury 1961 BS; Missouri (Kansas City) 1965 JD  
Began Service: December 1987  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Government:** Prosecuting Attorney, Office of the Prosecuting Attorney, County of Laclede, Missouri (1967-1971)

**Judicial:** Circuit Judge, Missouri Circuit Court, Division II, 26th Judicial Circuit (1975-1987); Chief Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri (2000-2007)

**Military Service:** Missouri National Guard (1956-1961); United States Army Reserve (1961-1966)

**Current Memberships:** The Kansas City - Ross T. Roberts American Inn of Court; American Bar Association; Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association; Laclede County Bar Association; The Missouri Bar; Missouri Trial Judges Association

**Staff**

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**James C. England**  
Chief Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1947  
Education: Missouri 1972 JD  
Began Service: November 15, 1976  
Term Expires: November 9, 2008

**Staff**

Career Law Clerk **Jeani Dwyer Thomson** ..... (417) 865-7143  
Education: Drury 1974 BS;  
Missouri (Kansas City) 1984 JD  
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**John T. Maughmer**  
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1954  
Education: Missouri 1977 BS, 1980 JD  
Began Service: September 29, 1988  
Term Expires: September 30, 2012

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Elmo B. Hunter, United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri (1980-1982)

**Judicial:** Chief Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri (1991-2005)

**Legal Practice:** Lathrop, Koontz & Norquist (1982-1988)

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**William A. Knox**  
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1945  
Education: North Dakota State 1966 BS; Minnesota 1968 JD  
Began Service: December 15, 1985  
Term Expires: December 14, 2009

**Academic:** Professor, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO (1972-1985)

**Government:** Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, Office of the Prosecuting Attorney, County of Jackson, Missouri

**Military Service:** United States Coast Guard Reserve (1968-1972)

**Current Memberships:** Boone County Bar Association; Cole County Bar Association; Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association; Minnesota State Bar Association; The Missouri Bar

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